## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended): A woody ~~electric-wave-absorber~~ electric-wave-absorbing building material comprising a laminated magnetic woody material prepared by bonding facing plates each having a thickness in the range of 2 to 3 mm and composed of natural wood or a processed woody material with a magnetic layer composed of an adhesive containing a ferrite powder therebetween under pressure, wherein the magnetic layer contains a nonmagnetic stainless steel powder in an amount in the range of ~~20 to 80~~ 30 to 50 volume percent relative to [[the]] a Mn-Zn ferrite powder, the total volume content of the ferrite powder and the nonmagnetic stainless steel powder in the magnetic layer is in the range of 10% to 40%, the thickness of the magnetic layer is in the range of ~~0.5 to 5.0~~ 1.0 to 4.0 mm, and the ~~woody electric-wave-absorber~~ electric-wave-absorbing building material has an electric wave absorption characteristic in which the center frequency of the electric waves absorbed lies in the range of 1 to 8 GHz and the amount of electric wave absorption is [[10]] 20 dB or more in a 2.45 GHz frequency band ~~or a 5.2 GHz frequency band~~.

2. (Currently Amended): The woody ~~electric-wave-absorber~~ electric-wave-absorbing building material according to claim 1, wherein ~~the ferrite powder comprises Mn-Zn ferrite and~~ the nonmagnetic stainless steel powder comprises SUS 304 stainless steel.

3. (Currently Amended): The woody ~~electric-wave-absorber~~ electric-wave-absorbing building material according to claim 2, wherein the ferrite powder ~~is a mixture in which the ratio by weight represented by Mn-Zn ferrite:Ni-Zn ferrite is~~ has a median particle size in the range of 50 to 60 μm and a particle size range of 45 to 75 μm.